

DuPont's Powder Mills  
Wilmington, Del.,  
18. Feb. 1872,

Prof' James C. Booth  
Wilmington  
Philadelphia

My dear sir,

Your  
favor of the 6<sup>th</sup> was duly received,  
& from it I infer that I had  
not made myself clear in the  
questions to which it was intended  
as a reply - What I meant to  
ask was - are the discs made  
from an ingot which had been  
rolled into plate, or from one  
drawn under rollers into  
bars - Here they anneal  
&c &c. In other words the  
mechanical history of them.  
A propos of these discs

The first lat was tried at  
Fortress Monroe on the 14<sup>th</sup>  
and did so well that I  
have asked the Ordnance  
Bureau to order a further  
supply, which I trust it  
will not inconvenience you  
to let us have as early  
as March 1<sup>st</sup>.

The metal seems uniform,  
is much softer than copper,  
and will do much to simplify  
& render reliable the results of  
our proving instruments.

Yours truly,  
J. D. Morron  
Lieut Colonel  
U.S.A.



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J. D. Marvin

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Silver Dicks